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**WALLACE GUELLE, Editor.**

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We know Walter Evans well. He is an amiable gentleman, with hardly noticeable enough to make an impression on the public.

Hon. Francis Knott is chairman of the Judiciary Committee of the new House. As a better or better qualified gentleman never filled the position.

In the yellow fever had laid the editor of the Oklahoma (Miss) States by the heels, Radcliffe, for want of powder, would have to do his fighting with rocks.

The Black Hole of Calcutta, the baghouse of history illustrative of man's inhumanity to man, was, from all accounts, a more comfortable prison than the Kentucky penitentiary.

The Republicans need an exceedingly creditable nomination for Superintendent of Public Instruction, but as Old Virginia, the mother, never tries, no Kentucky, the daughter, will never Melroye.

Gen. Garfield believes that the Confederates are "turning up Jack" after all. The same gentleman entertained the same belief once before, when John McHenry, who came from Cumberland Gap to the Ohio river.

The Louisville Commercial is working in feeble wit to death in the effort to make light of the Blackman's speech on the negro appropriation bill. Little as it pretends to think of that speech, \$100 cash in hand would not induce the Commercial to republish it, and thus give its readers an opportunity, for once, to see gospel truth in its columns.

The best man, the best educated man, the truest man to his colors and convictions, nominated by the Republican State convention, is Melroye McHenry, of Hartford, who is put forward for the Superintendency of Public Instruction. His only fault is his profession of Republicanism, yet we don't know that that is more counterbalanced by his Democratic practice of honesty in business transactions.

Gen. McHenry must have been misinterpreted by the press, when it put in his report, regarding the Kentucky Republicanism, the expression, "as the life they lead is strong." Considering the miserable condition of the party, we are confident that the language he really used was, "as the strength they exhibit is strong." Such a recognition of their advantage over the Democrats was certainly due the colored brethren.

Garfield, of Ohio, in his speech opposing the passage of the army appropriation bill, stated that the late Senator Powell, of this State, was the author of the bill providing for the employment of troops at the polls by the President. He lied like a non-fence, and lied with knowledge, and with malice prepense. Garfield is a Congressional proser, but, for all that, he can on occasion swap lies with the best of us men, with Joe McWhannan.

Dr. Blaine, Conkling, Horne, and Co. had shouldered their guns and fought the rebellion with ball and bayonet as hard as they are capable of, and with their tongues, the probabilities are that the war would have ended in the ninety days allotted it by Mr. Seward. At least, they do not remember any rebel brigade so wicked and daring as to have forced either one of these paladins, "with his eyes directed destroying, lightning and in his right hand the magic word Excalibur."

The leaders of the Kentucky Republicanism are but timid quacks, after all. They talk of heroic treatment as badly as medicine doctors of a medical college, but, when it comes to actual practice, they fall back on "poison and yuck tests." Eli Murray was the done of Congress, and he was the done of the system of their party from its collapsed condition, and we find them prescribing Walter Evans—a cup of pennyroyal tea. We now add twenty thousand to Blackman's prospective majority of forty thousand had Murray received the nomination.

The Republican State convention met in the Masonic Temple at Louisville last Thursday and placed the following State ticket in the field. For Governor, Walter Evans, of Louisville; for Lieutenant Governor, D. S. Deuing, of Robertson county; for Attorney General, Hon. W. M. Bradley, of Garrard county; for Treasurer, R. O. Meek, of Fayette county; for Auditor, John A. Williamson, of Campbell county; for Register of the Land Office, Mat. O'Doherty, of Louisville; for Superintendent of Public Instruction, Malcolm Melroye, of Ohio county. The delegates from counties composing the first appellate district met in caucus, and nominated Mr. W. H. Hall, of Mt. Sterling, as the Republican candidate for the vacancy on the appellate bench. Take off Bradley and Melroye, and the ticket looks decidedly, ineffectually, even put forward by any party in Kentucky. And of the whole batch but one was a Union soldier, and he quit in the first year of the war.

Query: "Why will men seek common tobacco, when they can buy Marlboro's 'Sold of North Carolina,' at the same price?" Jan 10

The Frankfort Freeman, of the 5th inst., contained an exhaustive and convincing refutation, by Hon. J. Stoddard Johnston, Secretary of State, and editor of that strong and influential journal, of the charge that the late George H. Prentiss "sold out" to the Confederates, and was only present from committing the Louisville Journal to the Southern movement by the "paid-for" vigilance of Mr. William Calvert and the prompt action of Mr. Paul R. Shipman. Mr. Johnston conclusively proved from newspaper and other sources that the late Hon. Geo. W. Johnson, of Scott county, that the former was present against all arguments and pleadings of the warmest friends of the Union, and that the charge that he was brought to bear upon him, and returned true and steadfast to his conviction of duty, even though, as he expressed it in the Louisville Journal, his subscription to the Union cause worked his social and political ruin. We are satisfied that there is not a man in the country who credits the charge preferred against the great doer by Mr. Calvert. That there was such an editorial as he describes expressed on the gallery, is a undeniable fact. We have already divulged the name of its author. We do not deny the motive which prompted Mr. Calvert to drag Mr. Prentiss's name and fame so scandalously into print. He may have believed all that he asserted, but what he expected to accomplish by publishing the shameful story at this late date, after death had long ago removed the accused Republican, passes our comprehension. Certain of our colleagues have held, and that is that he was for himself the last contempt of all Union soldiers, whose hearts were so often animated after years of service in our own stirring exhortations of the dead patriot, and whose courage responded to his eloquent appeals for the full and uttermost performance of duty, even as it responded to the inspiring call of the bugle in the heat and death of battle. And it does seem strange that the ghastly assailant of the dead patriot should be a self-proclaimed Union man, while the earnest, impassioned, and triumphant defender of his fame and memory was a knightly soldier of the cause of which Mr. Prentiss was the intimate friend and yielding ally. Col. Johnston, by this graceful act of courtesy and justice, has not only won the admiration, but earned the respect of a self-proclaimed friend and admirer of the great editor.

The Courier-Journal of Saturday contained an article on the race in the first appellate district, over the signature of "G. H. Hargis," which belabored Mr. Thos. P. Farley, of Carlisle, with fulsome and sickening logic. Whoever wrote the article signed our name to it for a purpose. He is not a fan in the position of an extensive acquaintance and a long list of valued friends in many of the counties of the first appellate district. Mr. Hargis is a native of that district for the vacancy on the appellate bench. The object of this writer in attacking our name in his article is very plain. It is a barbed and impudent attempt to mislead our friends in Eastern Kentucky into support of Hargis. It is a worded to produce the impression that the author of it. To that extent it is an unblushing, deliberately concocted lie, and the appending of our name was a willful forgery, for which there is no excuse. And his article is full of falsehoods. Mr. Hargis is not a claimed scholar. He is not the judge of his judicial circuit. He ranks in the profession as a second-rate lawyer. No decision of his has been reversed by the court of appeals, because his judicial decision has never been before that court. Mr. Hargis does not occupy a position from which to formulate judicial opinions. As a criminal judge, he has displayed any particular brilliancy, and all appear to go up from his court are decisions of jury exclusively. Mr. Hargis, ever since we have known him, has been a persistent and chronic office-sneer. No position is so high that he does not grasp at it; he is scarcely one so low that he will not accept it. He is not at all popular with the country. He is foremost and conspicuous swaddled with very faces, and almost invariably speeded from the stomach of the party at the polls. He forced himself on the scene in a list of strong Democratic counties, for the circuit judgeship, and was rejected by the people for a pronounced Republican but competent lawyer. Personally, he is not a bad man, but a clever, sociable gentleman; but, politically, we look upon him as a dead-end. We would consider his nomination for the appellate court a "four-fifths" of a bad thing as far as the people as a positive caution, and would bid the election of Mr. Hall, the Republican nominee and an excellent lawyer, as a happy relief from the hateful evil. We are constrained to do this explicitly because of the unwarranted and unjustifiable use of our name by the friends of Mr. Hargis. If our opinion of any weight with our mountain friends, we infinitely prefer that they should receive the genuine article.

Of all the candidates named with whom we are acquainted, we consider but one worthy of the position of Mr. A. C. Johnston. That is, Richard H. Stanton, of Mayville, as well competent for the position.

Col. Robert McKee, editor of the Sentinel (A. H. Argus, says he knows that Mr. Prentiss was paid \$25,000 to convert his paper into a secession organ. As Col. J. Stoddard Johnston has just published an able, argumentative and exhaustive refutation of the vile charge, based on authentic letters of Mr. Prentiss and the late Hon. George W. Johnson, of Scott county, backed up by the testimony of Mr. A. C. Johnston, the surprising party to the conclusion that we are irresistibly compelled to conclude that if it was used, judgment rendered against him, and an execution put on the hands of Sheriff Probst, and in searching for goods and chattels of the defendant on which to levy, the officer should discover nothing but the statement of McKee, he would want assuredly return the writ to court, and say, "No property found."

The verses entitled "The Evening Breeze" will appear on our first page next week.

A little frame cottage on hill contains extensive negro inn. A clear case of "crowding the monkeys."

# PLANTER'S HALL.

Having seen no communication from Planter's Hall, and thinking we might be forgotten, I have concluded to drop you a few lines.

We are having rain in abundance—the farming business goes very slow—we are plowing yet, although the time of year has arrived—farmers are going to be very late getting in their crops, owing to such a severe winter that people could not do anything in the way of getting ready for a crop, and we are now having such a wet, backward spring.

We had a great deal of sickness in the winter, especially the past winter and spring. Six deaths from typhoid fever, and one from consumption, all grown persons. The last was Mr. Stephen Claybrook, who died on the 23rd of March, 1879, after an illness of sixteen days. He bore his sickness with patience and Christian fortitude, and left bright evidence with his surviving friends that he was going to a better world.

Times are very dull in this section, and the people are much downhearted. People think the tobacco plant will killed by the late freeze.

While looks very well, all generally up and looking well, and people waiting for crops to come.

At our primary election, the people took but little interest; only twelve votes cast. Eleven of that number were the most backward men ever seen up, but on the Monday following, the Board was all pierced off, and now the inquiry is made, "Who is to run against him?" Some think Thos. J. Lewis is the man.

A few weeks ago, Mr. Charles F. Mattingly hired one Thomas Reynolds to work for him this season. A few days after he and Reynolds bought a horse from Mr. R. E. Mattingly, and agreed to pay for it out of his wages, and drew up a note accordingly. In a few nights after the trade, Mr. Charles Mattingly and family went to his father's to remain all night, and during said night Thos. Reynolds packed his clothes and stole a new mill sack of Chas. Mattingly's to put his clothes in, then took Mr. R. E. Mattingly's horse and saddle and put on the horse that he had bought, and "it out"—passing through Hancock county to Harlan, to Knoxville, where he sold said horse, saddle and bridle to one Mr. Samuel Norris, for seven dollars, pocketed the money and went to leading around. Mr. Mattingly receiving information of his father's loss, immediately sent a man to get a State warrant and forwarded it to Constable Hilden, of Davies county, who delayed not in hunting up said Reynolds, took him under arrest, returned him to this county for trial. He was found guilty of larceny and held to bail. Messrs. James Fleming, John Bond, Ezekiel Hinton and James Hinton went his bail. Since that time said Reynolds sold the same horse to an other man for six dollars, and seventy-five cents, got the money and has gone to parts unknown, leaving his relatives to do the best they can, not even thanking them for what they had done.

Won't it be some if "Hard Up" and "Gyp" get up a duel? Who will be the second?

Once we have a printing office established now in connection with the soap factory. They will get the cleaning thing. Don't you wonder the "Hard Up" will be very firm or not.

Don't think "Hard Up" ought to try to shuffle that onto Will. We are not going to believe it. Will is the best policy.

Circuit court began on Monday at the Clark Pond. Wonder if it will pierce from on high—Pigal's Mount?

On last Monday night, Mr. Kelly Blain's meat house was broken open and relieved of three large hams of bacon. We guess that preacher can sympathize with Mr. B. for charity, you know, always begins at home. More anon. GUTTENBERG.

Hancock County Greenback Convention. Pursuant to the call of the Executive Committee of the National Greenback party of Hancock county, the Greenback party of that county met at Chambers' School house on the 14th day of April, 1879, and was organized by the election of Robert Wynn as Chairman, and E. P. McDams as Secretary.

On motion of R. E. Duncan, the platform of principles adopted by the convention held recently in Chicago be indorsed by this convention, and all persons in sympathy therewith, are cordially invited to participate in this convention.

A vote being taken, said resolution was adopted with great unanimity. The convention then proceeded to the transaction of the business for which it was called to sit. The selection of candidates to fill the various county offices to be voted for at the next August election. The balloting resulted in the selection of the following gentlemen:

For Representative, G. W. McDams; for County Judge, Jno. J. Starns; for County Attorney, D. L. Adair.

On motion, The BRECKENRIDGE NEWS, Agricultural Legal Tender and Louisville Planters were requested to publish the proceedings of this convention.

On motion, the convention adjourned sine die. THOMAS WYNN, Sec.

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